GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4343
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REHABILITATION OF SCAVENGERS
RAMJI MANJHI

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a sum of Rs. 335 crore was sanctioned for liberation and rehabilitation of scavengers during the Ninth Five Year Plan out of which only Rs. 95.90 crore had been utilized;

(b) if so, the reasons for not utilizing the remaining amount;

(c) the number of scavengers which have been benefited under the scheme during the Ninth Five Year Plan;

(d) whether there is any proposal to study the reasons for not delivering the required benefits to the needy people; and

(e) if not, the reasons thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) During the 9th plan, financial assistance has been provided to State SCDevelopment Corporations & State Governments for rehabilitation 2,02,789 scavengers.

(d) &(e) Implementation of the Scheme has been evaluated and action is being taken to overcome the existing constraints and assist the target group in a more effective manner.